# Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk Local Plan 2021-2039



## Representation Form

Consultation on additional evidence base documents, September 2023 Closing date for submitting representations: 11:59pm, Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Part A

## Section 1: Personal Details

Title:	Mr
First Name:	Joe
Last Name:	Wyatt
Job Title (where relevant):	Strategic Planner Apprentice
Organisation (where relevant):	Norfolk County Council
Address:	
Postcode:	
Telephone:	
Email:	

## Section 2: Agent Details (if applicable)

Please supply the details below of any agent you have working on your behalf.

Agent name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Telephone number:	
Email:	

## Part B

#### Please fill in a separate form for each document

#### Section 3: Representations

Which Document are you responding on?

Examination Library ref	Document name	Paragraph No(s)
F51	West Winch Topic Paper	Part B: Criterion 5, 6 and 14, and Modification 5.

#### Summary of Comments:

Please be as precise as possible as to why you support or object to the evidence and/or any suggested main modifications to the Plan contained in the document, providing the relevant paragraph and/or policy number for each point.

The proposed main modifications relating to Ecology and Biodiversity appear broadly acceptable, including (in Part B Criterion 5) reference to the requirement for the development to achieve a minimum 10% net gain in biodiversity as set out in the Environment Act 2021.

However, Part B Modification 5 appears to overly rely upon, and emphasise, the predicted losses of sensitive habitats and the need for mitigation and compensation; it is instead advised that a greater emphasise is placed upon utilising the BNG requirement to avoid impacts in the first instance, thereby potentially avoiding the need for more costly habitat creation and/ or restoration options. The insertion of a clearly stated reference to strict adherence to the ecological mitigation hierarchy is therefore suggested. It is important to note that, in addition to the Local Wildlife Sites, the area of scrub, grassland and woodland mosaic habitats which form a significant area of valuable (but undesignated) habitat within the north-east of the proposed allocation are likely to provide one of the most significant existing ecological resources in the local area.

Further modifications proposed in Part B Criterion 6 and Criterion 14 in relation to ecology and biodiversity appear appropriate.

(Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.)

Please note you should cover succinctly all the information, evidence and supporting information necessary to support/justify your comments.

#### Section 4: Examination Hearings

This consultation may be followed by further Examination Hearing sessions, at the discretion of the Planning Inspectors. Do you consider it necessary to participate in Examination Hearing sessions? (Please select one answer)

No, I do not wish to participate at the	Χ	Yes, I wish to participate at the	
Examination Hearing		examination hearing	

#### Section 5: Data Protection

Do you wish to be notified further about the Local Plan Examination process, at any of the following stages?

Schedule of Main Modifications stage (following hearings)	Yes	No	Χ
Publication of Inspector's Report	Yes	No	Χ
Adoption of Local Plan	Yes	No	Χ

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#### Section 6: Signature and Date of Representation

Please sign and date bel	OW:
Signature: (electronic signatures are acceptable)	
Date:	18/10/2023

Please note that, to be considered, your representation will need to be received by 11:59pm on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023.